

Dear FCC,

Internet is built around the idea of openness. It allows people to connect and exchange information freely, if the information or service is not illegal. Net neutrality has enabled a level playing field on the internet. To start a website, you don't need lot of money or connections. Just host your website and you are good to go. If your service is good, it will find favor with web users. Unlike the cable TV, where you have to forge alliances with cable connection providers to make sure that your channel reaches viewers, on internet you don't have to talk to ISPs to put your website online.

This has led to creation Google, Facebook, Twitter and countless other services. All of these services had very humble beginnings. They started as a basic website with modest resources. But they succeeded because net neutrality allowed web users to access these websites in an easy and unhindered way.

If there is no net neutrality, ISPs will have the power (and inclination) to shape internet traffic so that they can derive extra benefit from it. Without net neutrality, the internet as we know it will not exist. Instead of free access, there could be "package plans" for consumers. Lack of net neutrality, will also spell doom for innovation on the web. It is possible that ISPs will charge web companies to enable faster access to their websites. Instead of an open and free internet, without net neutrality we are likely to get a web that has silos in it and to enter each silo, you will have to pay some "tax" to ISPs.

Without an open internet, big corporations would have tight control over how we access websites and services. Please do your job and do not change the current Internet neutrality rules.

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